

7.1 Exponential Growth
7.2 Exponential Decay

$y = a \cdot b^x$

"a" determines stretch & reflection across y axis

General Shape...

$f(x) = 3^x$ "b" determines growth/decay
 $b > 1 \leftarrow$ growth $f(x) = (1/3)^x$ decay $\rightarrow 0 < b < 1$

To GRAPH

1st Plot 3 points

x	y
-1	$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$
0	$3^0 = 1$
1	$3^1 = 3$

2nd draw asymptotes

3rd use general shape

Asymptote - dashed line - boundary of graph - never cross

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Translations of Graphs \rightarrow shifts \leftarrow

$y = a \cdot b^{x-h} + k$

stretch/reflect \rightarrow Growth Decay \rightarrow shift \leftarrow

To Graph

- Determine Growth/Decay "b"
- Take the root (without "h" & "k")
 $y = a \cdot b^x$ Plot 3 points
- shift each point "h" "k"
- Asymptote $y = k$
- Domain: \mathbb{R}
+ $a > k$
Range: $-a < y < k$

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7.1 Graph Exponential Growth Functions

KEY CONCEPT For Your Notebook

Parent Function for Exponential Growth Functions

The function $f(x) = b^x$, where $b > 1$, is the parent function for the family of exponential growth functions with base b . The general shape of the graph of $f(x) = b^x$ is shown below.

The x-axis is an asymptote of the graph. An asymptote is a line that a graph approaches more and more closely.

The domain of $f(x) = b^x$ is all real numbers. The range is $y > 0$.

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The graph of a function $y = ab^x$ is a vertical stretch or shrink of the graph of $y = b^x$. The y-intercept of the graph of $y = ab^x$ occurs at $(0, a)$ rather than $(0, 1)$.

EXAMPLE 2 Graph $y = ab^x$ for $b > 1$

Graph the function.

a. $y = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4^x$

b. $y = -\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^x$

Solution

a. Plot $(0, \frac{1}{2})$ and $(1, 2)$. Then, from left to right, draw a curve that begins just above the x-axis, passes through the two points, and moves up to the right.

b. Plot $(0, -1)$ and $(1, -\frac{5}{2})$. Then, from left to right, draw a curve that begins just below the x-axis, passes through the two points, and moves down to the right.

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TRANSLATIONS To graph a function of the form $y = ab^{x-h} + k$, begin by sketching the graph of $y = ab^x$. Then translate the graph horizontally by h units and vertically by k units.

EXAMPLE 3 Graph $y = ab^{x-h} + k$ for $b > 1$

Graph $y = 4 \cdot 2^{x-1} - 3$. State the domain and range.

Solution

Begin by sketching the graph of $y = 4 \cdot 2^x$, which passes through $(0, 4)$ and $(1, 8)$. Then translate the graph right 1 unit and down 3 units to obtain the graph of $y = 4 \cdot 2^{x-1} - 3$.

The graph's asymptote is the line $y = -3$. The domain is all real numbers, and the range is $y > -3$.

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7.2 Graph Exponential Decay Functions

KEY CONCEPT For Your Notebook

Parent Function for Exponential Decay Functions

The function $f(x) = b^x$, where $0 < b < 1$, is the parent function for the family of exponential decay functions with base b . The general shape of the graph of $f(x) = b^x$ is shown below.

The graph falls from left to right, passing through the points $(0, 1)$ and $(1, \frac{1}{b})$.

The x-axis is an asymptote of the graph.

The domain of $f(x) = b^x$ is all real numbers. The range is $y > 0$.

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EXAMPLE 1 Graph $y = b^x$ for $0 < b < 1$

Graph $y = (\frac{1}{2})^x$.

Solution

STEP 1 Make a table of values.

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2
y	8	4	2	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4}$

STEP 2 Plot the points from the table.

STEP 3 Draw, from right to left, a smooth curve that begins just above the x-axis, passes through the plotted points, and moves up to the left.

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EXAMPLE 2 Graph $y = ab^x$ for $0 < b < 1$

Graph the function.

a. $y = 2(\frac{1}{4})^x$

b. $y = -3(\frac{2}{5})^x$

Solution

a. Plot $(0, 2)$ and $(1, \frac{1}{2})$. Then, from right to left, draw a curve that begins just above the x-axis, passes through the two points, and moves up to the left.

b. Plot $(0, -3)$ and $(1, -\frac{6}{5})$. Then, from right to left, draw a curve that begins just below the x-axis, passes through the two points, and moves down to the left.

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TRANSFORMATIONS Recall from Lesson 7.1 that the graph of a function $y = ab^x$ is a vertical stretch or shrink of the graph of $y = b^x$, and the graph of $y = ab^{x-h} + k$ is a translation of the graph of $y = ab^x$.

EXAMPLE 3 Graph $y = ab^{x-h} + k$ for $0 < b < 1$

Graph $y = 3(\frac{1}{2})^{x+1} - 2$. State the domain and range.

Solution

Begin by sketching the graph of $y = 3(\frac{1}{2})^x$, which passes through $(0, 3)$ and $(1, \frac{3}{2})$. Then translate the graph left 1 unit and down 2 units. Notice that the translated graph passes through $(-1, 1)$ and $(0, \frac{1}{2})$. The graph's asymptote is the line $y = -2$. The domain is all real numbers, and the range is $y > -2$.

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① $f(x) = 2 \cdot 3^{x-1} + 1$

② Growth $b=3$

③ $y = 2 \cdot 3^x$

④ Shift \rightarrow

⑤ Asymptote $y=1$

⑥ D: \mathbb{R}

⑦ R: $y > 1$

⑧ $y = -2(\frac{1}{4})^{x+2} - 1$

⑨ Decay

⑩ $y = -2(\frac{1}{4})^x$

⑪ Shift \leftarrow

⑫ Asymptote $y=1$

⑬ D: \mathbb{R}

⑭ R: $y < -1$

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Goes with Graphing

My chart of Growth/Decay

$b > 1$ Growth

$0 < b < 1$ Decay

positive "a"

negative "a"

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FORMULAS FOR WORD PROBLEMS

EXPONENTIAL GROWTH MODELS When a real-life quantity increases by a fixed percent each year (or other time period), the amount y of the quantity after t years can be modeled by the equation

$$y = a(1+r)^t$$

where a is the initial amount and r is the percent increase expressed as a decimal. Note that the quantity $1+r$ is the growth factor.

EXPONENTIAL DECAY MODELS When a real-life quantity decreases by a fixed percent each year (or other time period), the amount y of the quantity after t years can be modeled by the equation

$$y = a(1-r)^t$$

where a is the initial amount and r is the percent decrease expressed as a decimal. Note that the quantity $1-r$ is the decay factor.

a = initial amount
 r = rate
 t = time

$1-r$ decay factor
 $1+r$ growth factor

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① You bought a dog for \$1000. Its value increases 13% How much is he worth a year? 7 years?

$$y = a(1+r)^t$$

$$y = 1000(1+.13)^7$$

$$y = 2352.61$$

② You buy a car for \$13500. It decreases 23% each year. What is worth in 10 years?

$$y = a(1-r)^t$$

$$y = 13500(1-.23)^{10}$$

$$y = 1125.33$$

③ You have a diamond worth \$3500 you bought 15 years ago. If it appreciated 17% each year - how much did you pay for it?

$$y = a(1+r)^t$$

$$3500 = a(1+.17)^{15}$$

$$\frac{3500}{(1.17)^{15}} = a$$

$$a = 57,377.05$$

④ College Book originally cost \$1200, that are after 4 hard years are worth \$175.00. What's the rate?

$$y = a(1+r)^t$$

$$\frac{175}{1200} = (1+r)^4$$

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{175}{1200}} = 1+r$$

$$.417 = 1+r$$

$$-1 = -r$$

$$r = .383$$

$$r = 38.3\%$$

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EXAMPLE 5 Find the balance in an account

FINANCE You deposit \$4000 in an account that pays 2.92% annual interest. Find the balance after 1 year if the interest is compounded with the given frequency.

a. Quarterly
b. Daily

Deposit \$ in an account

$$A = P\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$$

t = time
r = rate
P = initial Principal amount deposited
n = # of times compounded per year

a) $A = 4000\left(1 + \frac{.0292}{4}\right)^{4 \cdot 1}$
\$4118.09

b) $A = 4000\left(1 + \frac{.0292}{365}\right)^{365 \cdot 1}$
\$4118.52

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Hw.
Pg 482, #6-21 multiples of 3
Pg 489, #3-6, 9-24 multiples of 3
25 (dont need a calc)

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